

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Neamati et al.

Art Unit: 1624

Application No. 10/009,210

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For: THIAZEPINE INHIBITORS OF HIV-1
INTEGRASE

Examiner: Bruck Kifle

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REPLY TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

This is a reply to an election of species requirement mailed February 26, 2003. A reply was due March 26, 2003. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension making the reply due on April 26, 2003.

In response to the election of species requirement, applicants elect compound 19 in Table 1 on page 26 of the application. In other words, in claims 1 and 21 the elected structure is the first-appearing structure wherein A is naphthalene, R is H, X-Y is -S-CH₂-, and W is S. Claims 1-6, 9, 12-14, 17, 18, 21, 22, 24, 28, 30, 33, 34, 38-42, 44 and 45 read on the elected species.

Applicants look forward to receiving an action on the merits. Should there be any questions regarding this application, Examiner Kifle is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number shown below.

Respectfully submitted,

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